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MR 276567

Re: 40 CFR 799.5115 (2004)
Docket OPPT-2003-006

**Application for Exemption From Testing Requirements
Methyl Acetate ; CAS No. 79-20-9**

Dear Sir/Madam,

This letter serves as an Application for Exemption from testing requirements, in compliance with 40 CFR 790.45 (a-c) and 40 CFR 799.5115 (a-d) (2004).

Test Rule Identification

The test rule is detailed in 40 CFR 799.5115 (2004), and is referred to as "In Vitro Dermal Absorption Rate Testing of Certain Chemicals of Interest to the Occupational Safety and Health Administration."

Firm Seeking the Exemption

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Substance Identified for Exemption

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BASF Corporation believes another group will perform testing.

BASF Corporation understands that if this application is granted before the reimbursement period described in section 4(c)(3)(B) of TSCA expires, BASF Corporation must pay fair and equitable reimbursement to the person or persons who incurred or shared in the costs of complying with the requirement to submit data and upon whose data the granting of BASF Corporation's application was based.

Please contact the undersigned at 734-324-6593 or sparksk@basf.com with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "K. Sparks", written over a horizontal line.

Kara G. Sparks
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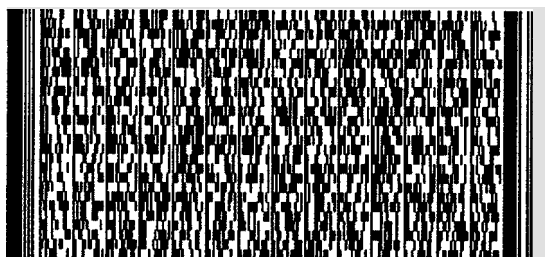


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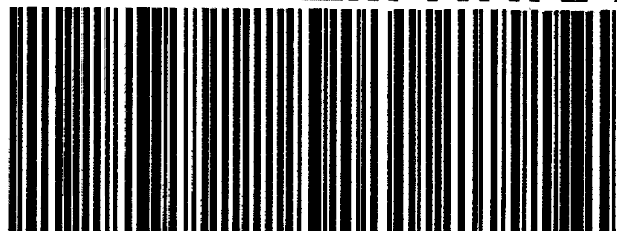
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